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THE SOULDIERS Pocket Bible:

Containing the most (if not all) those places contained in holy Scripture which doe shew the qualifications of his Inner man, that is a fit Souldier to fight the Lords Battells, both before he fight, in the fight, and after the fight;

Which Scriptures are reduced to severall heads, and fitly applyed to the Souldiers severall occasions, and so may supply the want of the whole Bible, which a Souldier cannot conveniently carry about him.

And may be also usefull for any Christian to meditate upon, now in this miserable time of Warre.

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Jos. 1.8. This Book of the Law shall not depart out of thy mouth, but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou maist observe to doe according to all that is written therein, for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and have good successe.

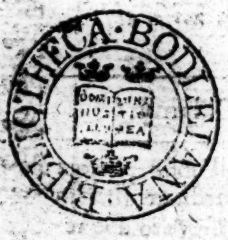
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A Souldier must not doe wickedly.

WHen thou goest out with the host against thine enemies, keep thee then from all wickednesse. Deut.23,9.

The Souldiers likewise demanded of him, saying, and what shall we doe? And he said unto them, doe violence to no man, neither accuse any falsly, and be content with your wages. Luke 3.14.

And if you will not for this obey me, you shall not be able to stand before your enemies. Levit. 26, 27 37.

And the Lord shall cause thee to fall before thine enemies, thou shalt come out one way against them, and flie seven ways before them. Deut.28. 25.

A Souldier must be valiant for Gods cause.

Be valiant, and fight the Lords Battells. 1 Sam.18. 17.

Be strong; and let us be valiant for our people, and for the Cities of our God, and let the Lord doe that which is good in his eyes. 2 Sam.10. 12.

For the battell is the Lords, and he will give you into our hands. 1 Sam.17. 47.

A Souldier must deme his own wisdome, his own strength, & all provision for war.

Prov.3.5. Leane not to thine owne wiſedome.

1 Sam.2.9. In his own might ſhall no man be ſtrong.

Pſal.44.6. I doe not truſt in my Bow, neither can my Sword ſave me.

Pſa.33.16. 17. A King is not ſaved by the multitude of an Hoſte, neither is the mighty man delivered by much ſtrength.

Eccle.8.8. A horſe is a vaine helpe, and ſhall not deliver in the day of battell. Man hath not power over death, nor deliverance in battell.

2 Chro.20 12. There is no power in us to ſtand againſt this great multitude, neither doe we know what to doe, but our eyes are towards thee.

A Souldier muſt put his confidence in Gods Wiſdome and Strength.

Ephe.6.10. Be ſtrong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

Job 12.13. For with him is wiſdome and ſtrength, he hath Councell and underſtanding.

Pſal. 68. 35. The God of Iſrael is hee that giveth ſtrength and power unto his people.

Pſa.46.4. God is our hope and ſtrength, and helpe, in trouble ready to be found.

2 Chro.25. 8. God hath power to helpe, and to caſt downe.

Pſa 67.16. I will goe forward in the ſtrength of the Lord.

1 Sam.17. 45. Then *David* ſaid unto the Philiſtine, Thou comeſt to me with a ſword, and with a ſphear, and with a ſhield, but I come unto

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to thee in the Name of the Lord of hoasts, the God of Israel.

A Souldier must pray before he goe to fight.

Then we prayed unto our God and set Watch-men by them day and night, because of them. Neh.4.9.

Then *Sampson* called unto the Lord, and said, O Lord God, I pray thee think upon me, O God, I beseech thee strengthen me at this time, &c. Iudg.16. 28.

And *David* said, O Lord I pray thee turn the Counsell of *Ahitophell* into foolishnesse. 2 Sam.15. 31.

If any of you lack wisedome, let him aske it of God. Iam.1.5.

Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy Law: ye I shall observe it with my whole heart. Psal.119. 34.

Give strength unto thy servant, and save the sonne of thine hand-maide. Psa.86.12.

Plead thou my cause O Lord, with them that strive with me, fight thou against them, that fight against me. Psal.35.12

Bring out the speare, and stop the way against them.

And the Children of Israel said unto the Lord, wee have sinned, doe thou unto us whatsoever please thee, only wee pray thee deliver us this day. Iudg. 10. 15.

A Souldier must consider and beleeve Gods gracious Promises.

Chro.20. 20. And when they arose early in the morning they went forth to the wildernes of Tekoa: & as they departed, *Jehoshaphat* stood and said, Hear ye me, O *Judah*, and ye Inhabitants of Jerusalem, put your trust in the Lord your God, & ye shall be assured; beleeve his Prophets, and ye shall prosper.

Deut.20.4. For the Lord your God goeth with you, to fight for you against your enemies, and to save you.

The Lord shall fight for you.

Exo.14.14; 2 King.17. 39. Fear the Lord your God, & he shall deliver you out of the hands of all your enemies.

Dan. 3.17. Behold our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the hot fiery furnace, & he will deliver us out of thine hand, O King

1 Chro.17. 10. And I will subdue all thine enemies.

Isai.41.12. Thou shalt seek them, and shalt not finde them, to wit the men of thy strife; for they shall be as nothing, and the men that war against thee, as a thing of naught.

Isai.54.17. No weapon made against thee shal prosper

A Souldier must not fear his Enemies.

Deu,.20.1. When thou shalt go forth to war against thine enemies, & shalt see horses and Chariots moe then thou, be not afraid of them, for the Lord thy God is with thee.

Deu.3.32. Ye shall not fear them, for the Lord your God shall fight for you, fear them not, for I have given them into thine hand.

2 Chro.32 78. Be strong and couragious, fear not, neither

ther be afraid for the King of Asher, neither for all the multitude that is with him, for there be moe with us then with him, with him is an arme of flesh, but with us is the Lord our God, for to helpe us, and to fight our battells.

Fear not, neither be faint-hearted, for the two tailes of the smoking fire-brands. Isa. 7.4.

And fear ye not them which kill the body. Mat. 10. 28

A Souldier must love his enemies, as they are his enemies, and hate them as they are Gods enemies.

But I say unto you, love your enemies. Mat. 5. 44.

Wouldest thou helpe the wicked, and love them that hate the Lord. 2 Chro. 19 2.

Doe not I hate them, O Lord, that hate thee, and doe not I earnestly contend with them that rise up against thee? I hate them with an unfained hatred, as they were mine utter enemies. Psal. 139. 21. 22.

A Souldier must cry unto God in his heart in the very instant of the battell.

Then Judah looked, and behold the battell was before and behinde them, and they cryed unto the Lord. 2 Chro. 13. 14.

And Asa cryed unto the Lord his God, and said, Lord it is nothing with thee to helpe with many, or with no power. 2 Chro. 14. 11.

And when the Captaines of the Chariots saw Jehoshaphat, they said, it is the King of Israel, and they compassed about him to 2 Chro. 18 31.

fight, but Jehoshaphat cryed, and the Lord helped him, and moved them to depart from him.

A Souldier must consider that sometimes Gods people have the worst in battell as well as Gods enemies.

1 Sam. 11. 25. The sword devoureth one as well as another.

Eccles. 9. 2 All things come alike to all: there is one event to the righteous & to the wicked, to the good, and to the cleane, and to the uncleane, to him that sacrificeth, and to him that sacrificeth not: as is the good, so is the sinner: and he that sweareth, as he that feareth an oath.

Jos. 7. 4. So there went up thither of the people, about three thousand men, and they fled before the men of *Ai*.

Judg. 6. 2. And the hand of Midian prevailed against Israel.

1 Sam. 4. 10. And the Philistines fought, and Israel was smitten downe, and fled every man into his Tent, and there was an exceeding great slaughter, for there fell of Israel thirty thousand footmen.

Exo. 17. 11 But when Moses let his hand goe down, Amaleck prevailed.

Lam. 1. 16. My children are desolate, because the enemie prevailed.

Souldiers, and all of us must consider that that though Gods people have the worst, yet it commeth of the Lord.

Who gave Jacob to the spoile, and Israel to the Robbers? Did not I the Lord? Esa.42.24.

Shall there be evill in a City, and the Lord hath not done it? Amos 3.6.

And the Lord sold them into the hands of *Iabin*, king of Canaan. Iudg.4.2.

The Lord hath delivered me into their hands, neither am I able to rise up. Lam.1.14.

The Lord hath forsaken his altar, hee hath abhorred his Sanctuary, hee hath given it into the hand of the enemy. Lam.2.7.

For the iniquities of Gods people are delivered into the hands of their enemies.

Then shall all nations say, wherefore hath the Lord done this unto this land, how fierce is his great wrath. Deut.29. 24,25.

And they shall answer because they have forsaken the Covenant of the Lord God of their fathers.

And the Lord said unto *Ioshua*, get thee up; wherefore liest thou thus upon thy face? Israel hath sinned, & they have transgressed my Covenant, which I commanded them. Ios.7.10, 11.

The Lord thy God hath pronounced this plague upon this place, now the Lord hath brought it, and done according as hee hath said, because ye have sinned against the Lord. Ier.40.2,3.

My people have been as lost sheep, all that found them, have devoured them, and their enemies said, We offend not, because Jer.50.6,7.

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they have sinned against the Lord.

Lam. 3. 39. Wherefore then is the living man sorrowfull, man suffereth for his sinne.

Therefore both Souldiers, and all Gods people, upon such occasions, must search out their sinnes.

Lam. 3. 40. Let us search and trye our wayes, and turne againe unto the Lord.

Jos. 7. 13. Up therefore, Sanctifie your selves against to morrow, for thus saith the Lord God of Israel, there is an execrable thing amongst you, therefore you cannot stand against your enemies, untill ye have put the execrable thing from among you.

Especially let Souldiers, and all of us upon such occasion, search whether we have not put too little confidence in the Arme of the Lord, and too much in the Arme of flesh.

Jer. 2. 13. For my people have committed two evills, they have forsaken me the fountaine of living waters, to dig them pits, even broken pits that will hold no water.

Therefore saith the Lord, They shall
37 goe forth from thence with their hands upon their heads, because the Lord hath rejected their confidence, they shall not prosper thereby.

Jer. 17. 5. Therefore thus saith the Lord, Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his Arme, and withdraweth his heart from the Lord. *And*

And let Souldiers, and all of us consider, that to prevent this sin and for the committing of this sinne, the Lord hath ever been accustomed to give the victory to a few.

And the Lord said unto Gideon, the people that are with thee are too many for me to give the Midianites into their hands, lest Israel make their vaunt against me, and say Mine hand hath saved me. Jud. 7. 2.

Then the Lord said unto Gideon, By these three hundred men that lapped will I save you, and deliver the Midianites into thine hands. 7.

And the children of Beniamin were numbred at that time out of the Cities, six and twenty thousand men that drew sword. Jud. 20. 15.

Also the men of Israel, besides Beniamin were numbred, four hundred thousand men that drew sword. 17.

And the children of Benjamin came out of Gibeah, and slew down to the ground of the Israelites that day, two and twenty thousand men. 21.

And the second day Benjamin came forth to meet them out of Gibeah, & slew down to the ground of the children of Israel again eighteen thousand men. 25.

And the children of Israel went up against the children of Beniamin the third day. 30.

And compassed the Beniamites about, and chased them at ease, & over ran them, 43.

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and there were slaine of Benjamines eighteen thousand men.

44. And the *Israelites* gleaned of them by the way five thousand men, and persued after them unto Gidon, and slew two thousand men of them.

45. So that all that were slaine that day of Beniamin, were five and twenty thousand men that drew sword.

2 Chro. 13. 3. And *Abijah* set the battell in aray with the Army of valiant men of War, even four hundred thousand chosen men, *Ieroboam* also set the battell in aray against him with eight hundred thousand chosen men, which were strong and valiant.

4 And *Abijah* stood upon the mount Zemeraim, and said, O *Ieroboam*, and all Israel, hear ye me.

Ye think that ye be able to resist against the Kingdome of the Lord, which is in the hands of the Sonnes of *David*; and ye see

8 a great multitude, and the golden calves are with you, which *Ieroboam* hath made you for gods.

10 But we belong to the Lord our God, and have not forsaken him,

12 And behold this God is with us as a Captain, O ye children of *Israel*, fight not against the Lord God of your fathers, for ye shall not prosper.

13 But *Ieroboam* caused an Ambushment

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to compaſſe and come behinde them.

Then *Iudah* looked, and behold the battell was before and behinde them, and they cryed unto the Lord. 14

And the men of *Iudah* gave a ſhout, and as the men of *Iudah* ſhouted, God ſmote *Ieroboam*, and alſo *Iſrael* before *Abiiah* and *Iudah*. 15

And *Abiiah* and his people ſlew a great ſlaughter of them, ſo that there fell of them down wounded, five hundred thouſand, choſen men. 17

And *Aſa* had an army of *Iudah* that bare ſhields and ſpears, three hundred thouſand, and of *Beniamin*, that bare ſhields, & drew bowes, four hundred and fourſcore thouſand, all theſe were valiant men of warre. 2 Chro. 14 8.

And there came out againſt them Zerah of Ethiopia, with an hoſte of ten hundred thouſand, and three hundred Chariots. 9

Then *Aſa* went out before him, and they ſet the battell in aray in the valley of Zephathah, beſides Mareſhah. 10

And *Aſa* cryed unto the Lord his God, and ſaid, Lord it is nothing with thee to help with many, or with no power, helpe us O Lord our God, for we reſt on thee, and in thy Name are we come againſt this multitude, O Lord, thou art our God, let not man prevail againſt thee. 11

And let Souldiers, and all of us know, that the

the very nick of time that God hath promised us help, is when we see no helpe in man.

Gen. 22. 14 In the mount will the Lord be seene.

Exo. 14. 13 Then *Moses* said unto the people, Fear ye not, stand still and behold the Salvation of the Lord, which he will shew to you this day, the Lord shall fight for you, therefore hold you your peace.

2 Chro. 20 11. O our God, wilt thou not judge them, for there is no strength in us to stand against this great multitude, neither doe we know what to doe, but our eyes are towards thee.

17 Ye shall not need to fight in this battell, stand still, move not, and behold the salvation of the Lord towards you.

Deut. 32. 35, 36. Vengeance and recompence are mine, their feet shall slide in due time, for the day of their calamities is at hand, and all things that shall come upon you, make haste.

Deut. 32. 36, For the Lord shall iudge his people, and repent towards his servants; when he seeth that their power is gone, and none shut up in hold, or left abroad.

2 Chro. 12. 11. For my power is made perfect through weakneſſe.

Zack. 4. 6. For neither by an army, nor strength, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts.

Psa. 12. 5. Now for the oppression of the needy, and for the sighes of the poor, I will up saith the Lord,

Lord, I will ſet him in ſafety from him that puffeth at him. Eſa. 33. 10.

Now will I ariſe, ſaith the Lord, now will I be exalted, now will I lift up my ſelf.

Wherefore if our forces be weakned, and the enemy ſtrengthned, then let Souldiers, & all of us know, that now we have a Promiſe of Gods help, which we had not when we were ſtrangers and therefore let us pray more confidently.

O Lord have mercy on us, wee have waited for thee, be thou, which was their arme in the morning, our helpe alſo in time of trouble. Eſa. 33. 2.

Heare, O Lord, the voice of *Iudah*, and bring him unto his people, his hands ſhall be ſufficient for him, if thou helpe him againſt his enemies. Deut. 33. 7.

I looked upon my right hand, & beheld, but there was none that would know me, all refuge failed me, and none cared for my ſoul, then cryed I unto the Lord, and ſaid, thou art my hope. Pſal. 142. 45.

Be not far from me, becauſe trouble is neere, and there is none to helpe. Pſa. 22. 11.

Remember not againſt us our former iniquities, but make haſt, and let thy tender mercies prevent us, for we are brought very low. Pſa. 97. 8.

Lay hand upon the ſword and buckler, and ſtand up for my helpe. Pſa. 35. 2.

Help us, O God of our ſalvation, for the glory of thy Name. Pſa. 79. 9.

And

And let Souldiers, and all of us know; that if we obtaine any victory over our enemies, it is our duty to give all the glory to the Lord, and say,

Exo. 15. 3. The Lord is a man of warre, his Name is IEHOVAH.

6. Thy right hand, O Lord, is glorious in power, thy right hand O Lord hath bruised the enemies.

7. And in thy great glory, thou hast overthrown them that rose up against thee.

Psa. 118. 23. This was the Lords doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes.

Iosh. 10. 14. For the Lord fought for Israel.

Mica. 7. 7. Therefore will we look unto the Lord.

2 Cor. 1. 10. Who delivered us from so great a death.

1 Cor. 29. 15. Now therefore our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious Name.

Ezra. 9. 13. 14. And seeing that thou our God hast spared us from being beneath for our iniquities, & hast given us such a deliverance, shall we return to break thy Commandements.

Psal. 116. 9. I will walke before the Lord in the Land of the living.

Psal. 119. 109. I have vowed, and I will perform it, that I will keep thy righteous judgements.

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